

PROF KUTA COMMISSIONS 7.5 MVA SUB-STATION

By Winifred Oritogun



VC, Prof. Kuta inspecting the equipment.

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The Vice-Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Minna, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta, has inaugurated a 7.5 MVA injection sub-station, the power transformer that steps down 33 KV to 11KV.

Speaking while inaugurating the equipment on Wednesday February 15, 2023 at the Main Campus, he said the University obtained an upgraded (7.5 MVA) transformer through TETFUND merged annual interventions to the University for years 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020.

The VC expressed joy over the occasion, saying that a lot of money has been invested in the project and that it will require absolute protection.

Prof. Kuta congratulated the University community for the outcome of the project.

The Site Engineer of the project Engr. Ezea Benjamin from Legacy Power Nig. Ltd, in his remark, expressed his excitement on the success of the project. He assured the University that the transformer has enough protection and cannot breakdown anyhow even with very high voltage.

He appreciated the University Management for the opportunity given to handle such project and prayed that the relationship between the company and the institution continues.

104TH INAUGURAL LECTURE: "MATHEMATICS IS A UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE" PROF. JIYA

By Aliyu Ibrahim Jidda



Prof. Jiya presenting his lecture.

Photo Credit: Elijah Yisa

Professor Mohammed Jiya of the Department of Mathematics, Federal University of Technology, Minna has asserted that Mathematics is the language of the universe.

He made the assertion while delivering the 104th Inaugural Lecture of the University, titled " Mathematics the Language of the Universe: Applied Mathematics My Dialect" presented on Wednesday February 15, 2023 at the University Auditorium, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano, Minna.

Prof. Jiya clarified that the universe cannot be read until we have learnt the language and become familiar with the characters in which it is written, adding that "It is written in Mathematical language and the letters are triangles, circles and other geometric figures without which it is humanly impossible to comprehend."

The Inaugural Lecturer who was emphatic about the potentials of Mathematics in human life, divided the subject into three categories, namely: Pure Mathematics, which is the study of abstract relationships, Applied Mathematics that deals with the application of Mathematical knowledge to other fields and

Computational Mathematics which has computer at the focal point of its operation.

He further said that Mathematics is one of the things that distinguish humans from animals through human ability to think and communicate abstract ideas, adding that even sports is enjoyed better through mathematics.

On Mathematical Modelling, he explained that it consists of simplifying real life problems and representing them as mathematical problems, thereby solving the mathematical problems and interpreting the solution in the language of real life by the means of formulation, finding solution/ interpretation and evaluation.

Prof. Jiya itemised some human activities that Mathematics has contributed in promoting such as bank assets and liability portfolio system, the teaching of measurements, the development of logical and critical thinking, the use of mathematics in financing and budgeting, the interpretation of numbers and the use of Mathematics in music composition amongst others.

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He recommended that "all hands must be on deck by policy makers to make the atmosphere conducive for teaching, learning and researching in Mathematics."

Prof. Jiya further recommended that Mathematicians should be employed to teach the subject at all levels in Secondary schools, just as he frowned at the practice of assigning people from other disciplines to teach Mathematics in secondary schools.

He also urged Mathematics to relate all topics to real life applications for easy understanding

and comprehension, just as he advised that the teaching of Mathematics in mother should also be encouraged.

At the end of the lecture, the Vice-Chancellor of the university, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta eulogised the presenter for the concise presentation and went further to recognised the dignitaries who graced the lecture.

The highlight of the occasion was the presentation of certificate and plaque to the Inaugural Lecturer in recognition of his contribution to knowledge.

FUTMINNA SETS UP WISTLE BLOWING COMMITTEE

By Winifred Oritogun



L-R: VC, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta with the Chairman of the Committee, Prof. Kassim Isah

Photo Credit: Elijah Yisa

The Vice-Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Minna, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta has set up a whistle blowing committee for the institution.

While inaugurating the committee on Monday, 13 February 2023 at the Main Campus, Gidan Kwano, Prof. Kuta appreciated the committee members for accepting to serve, adding that it is a challenging responsibility saddled with the job of policing people on campus, addressing abnormal issues that people choose to do.

Noting that the task ahead of the committee is very big, he urged them to look up to God by doing it with a sincere heart for the betterment of the society.

The VC who disclosed that the University Management painstakingly selected members of the Committee, congratulated them for being found worthy of the responsibility.

He assured that Management would give them all the necessary support and prayed for God's guidance as they carry out the task of training young minds to be better in the society.

The Chairman of the Committee, Prof. Kassim Isah, in his short remark appreciated the VC for the opportunity given to them to serve and promised to always call on him, should they encounter any challenges.

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The whistle blowing Committee is charged with the responsibility of : 1) Promoting and reporting of suspected wrong doings as soon as possible in the knowledge that the concerns raised will be taken serious and investigated properly. 2) To provide guiding policies and procedures for members of the University community for raising concerns or reporting suspected wrong doing for the investigation and acting upon the concerns raised. 3) To protect the confidentiality of members of the University community reporting suspected wrong doings. 4) To protect members of University community raising concerns or reporting suspected wrong doings from direct, indirect and/or soft retaliation. 5) To defer the penetration

of misconduct in the community. and 6) To strengthen the confidence of staff, students, alumni, parents, partners, donors, government agencies and other stakeholders in the University's 's culture of integrity and the highest standards.

Other members of the Committee are:

Prof. A. Y. Kabiru, Prof. I.C. Alemede, Barr. K.S Agbonika, Dr. (Mrs) Ruth Lafia-Araga and Mr. Simon Auta while Usman Shai'ban Aliyu will Serve as Secretary to the Committee.

ENCOMIUMS AS CHAPEL OF GRACE HOLDS THANKSGIVING SERVICE



Cutting the anniversary cake (L- R): Mrs Victoria N. Kolo, Prof H. A. Makun, Rev. Michael Oladeji, Prof. Mrs. H. O. Akanya (behind), Prof. John Adama, Mrs Mary Kolo (behind), Dr. Matthew T. Kolo, Prof Faith Ibrahim (behind), Prof O.D. Jimoh, Dr. Pemi Daniel and Pastor Dr. Michael Onimole.

Family members, friends, associates and the entire members of the University Community rolled out the drums at the Chapel of Grace, Federal University of Technology, Minna to celebrate her 35th Anniversary Thanksgiving Service. The celebration with the theme: *Holding Firm Our Confession in The Faithful God*, held on Monday 6th to Sunday 12th February, 2023 at the Chapel's Auditorium, Bosso Campus.

Speaking at the event, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta praised the University Chapel

for their fervent prayers and love towards all. Prof. Kuta, who was represented by Prof. Hussaini Anthony Makun noted some laudable charitable gestures to chapel it has been doing to students and humanity at large, while calling for the unity of all on campus.

The Vice-Chancellor also called for unalloyed support from the Christian community on campus and prayed for the Chapel of Grace to outlive her 35 years of existence.

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The Chaplain, Chapel of Grace, Rev. Michael Afolabi Oladeji, thanked God who has given victory to the church through all the diverse storms in her 35 years missionary sojourn. He then admonished the church to hold firm in their confession to the Faithful God, serving God in reverence and keeping His commandments. The clergy further urged all Christians to study, listen, and obey the Words of God as it is written in the Holy Bible.

Earlier in his address, Dr Matthew Kolo gave a brief on the establishment of Chapel of Grace. According to him, Chapel of Grace was established in February, 1988 to accommodate the worship of all protestant Christian students

on campus, with less than twenty members as at then. Pointing out that the University Church was renamed Chapel of Grace in 2008.

Thereafter, a minute silence was observed in honour of the founding fathers and members of the chapel that have been called unto glory.

Highlights at the occasion was the cutting of the anniversary cake, praises unto God for the celebration of the 35 years of the grace of God among members, the choir, the children arm of the church and the women of Zion praise team.

OMOWUMI WINS RAYI AWARD



L-R Prof Olufunmilayo Akanya, Prof Abubakar Abdulkadir (HOD Biochemistry) VC, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta, Ibraheem Halimat Omowumi, Prof Abdullahi Mohammed, Prof Francis Arimoro Dean (SLS) and Prof Kudirat Shittu.

Ibraheem Halimat Omowumi of the Department of Biochemistry, School of Life Sciences, Federal University of Technology, Minna has won the Royal Young Innovators (RAYI) Scholarship for Nigeria University Students.

The Winner in company of the Director, Academic Planning Unit; Prof. Mohammed Abdullahi, Dean, SLS; Prof. Francis Arimoro

and other senior members of the School recently presented the award to the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta in his office.

RAYI was instituted by His Majesty, Ooni Adeyeye Enitan Ogunwusi, OJAJA II, Ooni of Ife in collaboration with the Institute of Education, University of Ibadan.

It will be recalled that RAYI requested for the nomination of names of students with the highest CGPA at 400 Level in Arts and Humanity and Science Disciplines. They were subjected to online Examination. Fifty-two (52) Students wrote the Examination and fifteen (15) were selected for the award; nine (9) on merit and the remaining six (6) were the best from each of the six (6) geo-political zones of Nigeria.

Ibraheem Halimat Omowumi came third in the Selection. The award took place on the 20th to 22nd May, 2022 at Ile-Ife, Osun State.

QUALITY ASSURANCE AND PRODUCTIVITY (QAP) CORNER

COMBATTING CORRUPTION IN CREDENTIALS AND QUALIFICATIONS

Some of the examples of associated corrupt practices are:

- Use of degree mills and accreditation mills.
- Falsification of transcripts and degree certificates.
- False statement about qualifications on CVs and job applications.
- Political pressures on Higher Education Institutions to award degrees to public figures.

Preventive actions:

- Develop international security standard for documents relating to higher education credentials.
- Use document verification technologies to simplify checks by admission officers and employers.
- Check the validity of all credentials presented for university admissions and job applications.

COUNSELLING TIPS

Your set goals should be specific, measurable and realistic. That is to say, that you should specify the actual task you can undertake within a time limit on daily basis.

Guidance and Counselling Unit,

Students' Affairs Division.

FUT MODEL SECONDARY SCHOOL, MINNA

UNIVERSITY MODEL SECONDARY SCHOOL MANAGEMENT BOARD



VACANCY FOR THE POST OF SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the post of School Principal of F.U.T Model Secondary School Minna.

QUALIFICATIONS;

A candidate applying for the position must not be less than 45 Years of age at the time of application. The appointment is for a period of **Five years, renewable once**. The candidate must possess a minimum of Second Class Lower Honours Degree in Education or Humanities (B.A. Ed, B.Sc Ed, PGD or its equivalent), from a recognized University. Possession of Higher Degree (s) in relevant disciplines will be an advantage.

The candidate must be a member of at least one relevant Administrative/Professional Association. The candidate must not only be knowledgeable in Information and Communication Technology (ICT), but also demonstrate the capacity to deploy ICT skills in normal Secondary School Administration and Management. The candidate must be physically and mentally fit, be a person of high integrity, must have good leadership qualities. In addition, He/She must have high level of interpersonal, verbal and written communication skills.

MODE OF APPLICATION

The candidate is required to submit seven (07) copies of application supported with relevant documents and current detailed Curriculum Vitae. The application must be submitted not later than **8th March, 2023**. The same deadline and mode of forwarding applies to referees. Candidates are advised to request each of their referees to forward a confidential report to the address below, to which the application should also be sent:

**The Secretary,
University Model Secondary School Management Board,
Office of the Principal,
Bosso Campus, Minna**

Applicants are to note that only **short-listed candidates** will be invited for interview.

Signed

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MONEY MATTER

Weekly Financial Digest for 5th February - 12th February 2023

N/S	RECEIPTS	₦
1	ACCEPTANCE FEES	960,000.00
2	TRANSCRIPT	1,136,040.00
3	POST UTME	22,000.00
4	CERTIFICATE (UNDER GRADUATE)	373,000.00
5	CERTIFICATE (POST GRADUATE)	103,000.00
6	CLEARANCE FEES	36,000.00
7	SALES OF FORMS PRE-DEGREE	42,000.00
8	POST GRADUATE SCHOOL FEES	3,732,500.00
9	POSTGRADUATE FORMS	1,350,000.00
10	REGISTRATION FEES PRE-DEGREE	416,250.00
11	SEMESTERIAL RESULT	3,200.00
12	TURNITIN PG	52,000.00
13	VERIFICATION OF RESULT	5,000.00
14	HOSTEL FEES	50,000.00
15	CODEL ACCEPTANCE	50,000.00
16	CODEL REGISTRATION	44,600.00
17	REPLACEMENT OF I.D.CARD	4,000.00
18	MOTORCYCLE REGISTRATION	10,000.00
19	TRICYCLE FEES	42,000.00
20	SUG FORM	105,000.00
21	COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES SHOP	1,000.00
22	PREPAID METER	9,500.00
	TOTAL	8,547,090.00
23	(i) Staff	
	(a) Refund	4,603,048.27
	(b) Advance	2,178,300.00
	(ii) Contractors/Suppliers	
	(a) OK Jokel Pharmacy - Supply	906,200.00
	TOTAL PAYMENTS	7,687,548.27